

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit 1791 : PATENT APPLICATION
Examiner Jeff H. Aftergut :
In re application of :
REN JUDKINS et al. : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MAKING
CELLULAR MATERIAL USING SLOW CURE
Serial No. 10/568,027 : ADHESIVES
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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219
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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In the Office Action dated July 27, 2010, the Examiner rejected the pending claims as unpatentable under section 103(a) based upon allegedly admitted prior art in the declaration of John Rupel filed June 21, 2010 in combination with Colson '108 patent and newly cited Japanese patent 9-76378 and U.S. Patent 4,838,972 to Daamen in view of the Schnebly '630 patent. On page 3 of the Office Action, the Examiner states that Japanese patent '378 taught that "one skilled in the art would have employed an adhesive which was curable and which was cured after the wound material was removed from the mandrel. The reference suggested that one skilled in the art would have cured the material after removal from the mandrel wherein the material was laid